

## **DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY**

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> 5720 Ser N00K/0924 August 23, 2019

Ms. Emma Best MuckRock News, DEPT MR 74893 411A Highland Avenue Somerville, MA 02144

Dear Ms. Best:

This responds to your June 6, 2019, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request (DON-NAVY-2019-007723) requesting "copies of records mentioning or describing audits, reviews, investigations or reports regarding the agency's cyber security, including audits or investigations regarding the state of the agency's cyber security regarding potential attaches as well as audits and investigations conducted in the wake of a suspected or actual cyber attack, hacking incident or breach. Please include materials generated between 1 January 1996 and 30 June 2016." A search of the Naval Inspector General's investigation database failed to locate any such material. Consequently, we have no records to provide you.

In view of the above, you may consider this an adverse determination, which you may appeal. If you have an account in *FOIAonline*, you may submit an appeal directly within the web-based system. To do this, log into your account, retrieve your original request, and then click on the "Create Appeal" tab in the left-hand column. The basic information from your request will be duplicated, and you can then describe the basis of your appeal. If you do not have a *FOIAonline* account or you prefer to use regular mail, you may submit an appeal to:

OFFICE OF THE JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL ATTN: FOIA APPEALS – CODE 14 1322 PATTERSON AVENUE SE SUITE 3000 WASHINGTON NAVY YARD DC 20374-5066

Your appeal, if any, must be postmarked within 90 calendar days from the date of this letter and should include your letter of appeal, a copy of your initial request and a copy of this letter. You are encouraged, but not required, to state why you believe our search was insufficient and your appeal should be granted. I strongly recommend that your appeal and its envelope both bear the notation, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

For any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request, you have the right to contact the Department of the Navy FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. Christopher Julka, at Christopher.A.Julka@navy.mil or (703) 697-0031. Additionally, you have the right to contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to inquire about available FOIA mediation services. You may contact OGIS at <a href="mailto:ogis@nara.gov">ogis@nara.gov</a> or call 1-877-684-6448.

I am the official responsible for this decision; if you have any questions concerning this matter, I can be reached at (202) 433-2186.

Sincerely, Saucy Ricker

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By direction